

COMMON COUNCIL

February 1, 2016

7:00 P.M.

The City of Lawrenceburg Common Council meeting was called back to order by Mayor Kelly Mollaun, Clerk-Treasurer Tyler Rainey read roll call. Present were Board members Tony Abbott, Aaron Cook, Mel Davis, Randy Abner and Paul Seymour JR, Utility Director Olin Clawson, City Attorney Del Weldon, Police Chief Don Combs, Fire Chief Johnnie Tremain, EMS Director Bobby Mills, Mayor Kelly Mollaun and Clerk-Treasurer Tyler Rainey.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Mollaun listed several announcements as detailed below:

*there will be a summer help job fair on Feb 17 (3-6PM) and Feb 20 (9-noon) located in council chambers, in order for High School and College aged Students to complete their applications and ask questions. Mayor Mollaun would like to cut back on hours, so that more students can be hired. He also added that they will no longer be driving City vehicles.

*a 4th grade book project, in conjunction with the Police Department, is in the works... more will be discussed about this at a later date.

*research is being conducted on how the city can save some money on vehicle insurance premiums.

*the next set of meetings will be held on February 22, 2016, as February 15th is a holiday.

*traffic lights along Walnut Street will now be flashing red, starting February 2, 2016.

*an audit type report will be performed on city accounts...the public will hear more about this at a later date.

*research on the parking garage is being conducted, he would like to inform Council that he is reviewing the current agreement with Tri State Parking and will be negotiating with Partners In Health and the Hotel to try and come up with a more cost saving method for parking.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Motion to approve minutes from the previous meeting.

Motion: Paul Seymour JR Second: Aaron Cook

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire: Chief Tremain stated that he had distributed the run totals for year-end 2015.

Police: Chief Don Combs stated that Ken Losekamp (who was absent from the BOW meeting) was now present. Mayor Mollaun swore Officer Losekamp into his new position. Chief Combs also informed Council about the newest K9 that will be training with Officer Houston.

EMS: No report.

Building Department: No report.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Lynn Slayback

Dearborn Historical Society/Clock

In for Mr. Slayback was Mr. Tom Prakes.

He discussed the possibility of obtaining a new –“used” clock for the City to purchase and place in Newtown Park.

This matter was taken under advisement.

2. Adam Kammeyer

Downtown Parade on May 7

Mr. Kammeyer asked permission to hold a parade downtown on May 7, 2016 at 9am for the Dearborn County Girls Softball League.

Mayor Mollaun asked that they please get with the police and fire department before having.

Motion to permit.

Motion: Paul Seymour JR

Second: Randy Abner

Motion carried.

3. Kelly Mollaun

Econ. Redev Comm Appt

Motion to appoint Mr. Bryan Messmore as the County representative.

Motion: Mel Davis

Second: Randy Abner

Motion carried.

4. Fall Fest

Mayor Mollaun stated that Fall Fest discussions have already begun. All vouchers would go through his office and the fair will remain downtown.

Motion to move forward with Fall Fest 2016.

Motion: Mel Davis Second: Anthony Abbott

Motion carried.

5. Del Weldon Conflict of Interest

Mr. Weldon explained the necessity for the Conflicts of Interest and Nepotism agreements.

After a brief explanation of his as well as his law partners, David Zerbe, he stated that all are required to complete the forms and get them into the Clerk Treasurer's office.

6. Amendment to the Salary Ordinance

Mr. Weldon asked permission to read the amendment ordinance.

Motion: Anthony Abbott Second: Paul Seymour JR

Motion carried.

Ordinance was read in full.

Motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 1-2016.

Motion: Anthony Abbott Second: Paul Seymour

Roll Call

Anthony Abbott	yes
Aaron Cook	no
Mel Davis	yes
Randy Abner	yes
Paul Seymour JR	yes

Not unanimous....Motion to table for the 2nd and 3rd readings.

Motion: Paul Seymour JR Second: Anthony Abbott

Motion carried.

7. Tyler Rainey

Cancellation of Old Outstanding Checks

Mr. Rainey explained that these are old, outstanding checks that have not been cashed. In accordance with SBOA, he read the IC Code and asked permission to write these checks off.

Motion to proceed.

Motion: Randy Abner

Second: Mel Davis

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Del Weldon

Review of Tabled Hughes/Approval of Hughes/Will

Mr. Weldon reviewed the Hughes payout from 2015 meeting.

Motion to approve the new payouts, which are significantly lower than previously mentioned, as they only go through the end of 2015.

Motion: Anthony Abbott

Second: Mel Davis

Motion carried.

2. Kelly Mollaun

Citizens Donation Committee

Mayor Mollaun stated that as of to date, two people have signed up so far as showing interest in being on the new citizens committee.

The committee will meet once a month to discuss and approve donations.

Discussion regarding who will be permitted to serve on the committee: resident vs nonresident. Mayor Mollaun stated that he would remain open to suggestions, dependent upon how many end up signing up to serve.

Not on the agenda, Mr. Seymour said that he would like a study done to determine the garbage truck issues as well as blue cans that most residents have. He added that we have a lot of employees retiring and the City is not in a place right now to replace them with new hires, so he would like a study done to determine extra man hours and costs if blue cans are not used.

Also not on the agenda, Mr. Abner inquired about the status of Three Mile Ridge. Mr. Clark said that they have had meetings and proposed easements. He added that they should be able to report on all of this soon with Council.

Aaron Cook asked if the Council was going to vote on a Council President.

Mayor Mollaun said that he was told that this didn't need to be done, but if Council would like, he is fine with it.

Motion to appoint Aaron Cook as the 2016 Council President.

Motion: Paul Seymour JR

Second: Randy Abner

Motion carried.

Comments from the Audience

Tom Prakel-Mr. Prakel commented on his opinions concerning issues with the State, and that he believes that the County should be represented more on some of the City's boards as well.

Dennis Hutchins- Mr. Hutchins inquired about the deadline for enrolling in the "round up" program. Mr. Clawson stated that the initial enrollment will be up soon, but one can sign up anytime. Mr. Hutchins also asked how to go about enrolling. Mr. Clawson stated that he could call utilities if he is interested, but that there is also information online about it as well. Lastly, Mr. Hutchins commented on the state of the City Parks and thanked Council for addressing this issue.

Tom Snyder- Mr. Snyder said that a study concerning the parking garage is a good idea, but that he would also like to address the issue with people parking in front of local businesses when an event comes to town.

Mayor Mollaun said that this is all still being worked on, but that he would like to possibly see nonprofits handle the parking for local events, and keep the monies for their causes.

Review and discussion of claims for Board approval.

Motion: Aaron Cook

Second: Paul Seymour JR

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Anthony Abbott

Second: Aaron Cook

Motion carried.